

TO ADVERTISERS.

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JOB PRINTING.

Book and Job Printing of every description neatly executed. Terms, cash on delivery of the work.

MORE REPRESENTATIVES.

Persons acquainted with the time occupied annually by the legislature of the British provinces, or of the States, in doing the public business, have regarded the long sessions of our legislature as a legislative phenomenon. Sitting from time to time for seven or eleven months in the year, is a something incomprehensible to them, when far more business is transacted elsewhere in thirty to ninety days. The session that has just expired has been a short one; but it was due to necessity rather than to inclination. The Act of Limitation interposed an insurmountable obstacle to the continuance of the legislative functions, else in all probability the session would not have ended till next fall. In future Assemblies the duties of our legislators ought to be confined to a shorter period. In fact it will be even a matter of necessity; for as the electoral districts increase throughout the colony, it will be quite natural to expect that members coming from a distance shall not be able to spend six months of their time in town, darning about at the heels of the leaders of the House. Forty days shall be the utmost time that can be expected from such members—and, as a matter of course, public business shall have to be completed for the year within that period. The way in which that would be accomplished would be by having a greater number of representatives—by the Government preparing their bills during vacation—by the members being ready with those bills having reference to the interests of their own constituents. At the present—at least in the past, the delays of legislation have arisen from four causes: from the inexperience and lack of decision of character in our representatives; from their small number; from no previous preparation of measures; and from having to satisfy the claims on their time to transact their private business. One of the first acts of the next Legislature ought to be to carry out the pith of the proclamation summoning them together—to meet "for despatch of business." Hitherto it appeared as though our Legislature met for "the delay of business." To attain that end a revision of our electoral system—a reform in the number of representatives shall have to take place. Instead of fifteen members, let there be twenty, at least, if not more. It is in the multitude of Councillors there is wisdom—"if many hands make light work"—the addition of five or ten members would aid materially in demonstrating the truth of those wise saws, and facilitate the despatch of business.

THE EXPENSE OF THE COLONY.

The expense of the colony would not necessarily be any greater, and so far as the officers of the Legislature are concerned, there would be an absolute saving. In the place of paying the clerks of the Assembly and Legislative Council for a year, they need not be employed longer than six weeks throughout the year; and no one would think of paying as much for six weeks' labor as for twelve months. The larger number of representatives would enable the business to be divided up into committee work, and finished without all the vain triflings and delays that arise from ignorance of the subject on which it is proposed to legislate. Besides, the time of members would not be asked for public affairs, when it ought to be devoted to the promotion of their private interests. Whether regarded from a public or an individual point of view, more representation is a necessity—a primary means of getting our Legislative machinery to move in the grooves as smoothly and rapidly as in older communities.

BEACON HILL PARK.

The Mayor says that the fencing in of a portion of the Race Course is all right. The City Council not having instituted any inquiry into the matter, the presumption is that this body considers it all right. The Executive—the special custodian of the Park—not having dealt with the workmen as an employee of the Land Office with a party who invaded James' Bay Square, makes the matter appear to be exceedingly right. The public, however, who never see eye to eye with those in authority, conclude that whatever is right, if it is not wrong; and they think that it is a very great wrong to allow the Race Course to be invaded by private parties. They hold that the vested right of Mr. Somebody to a slice of the Park no matter how invested is a vested wrong. Still a private right in this instance is a public evil, and shall each succeeding year contribute to create a still greater one. Lovers of the turf speak in the most indignant terms of the prospect of making every race a hurdle race, whether willing or not. Gentlemen historically connected with the Jockey Club threaten to clear the course whenever occasion shall require it. Others hold that no road can be stopped up, if enjoyed by the public one year without any public notice of a private right being asserted. If that rule holds good as regards streets and alleys, or crossroads from the Catholic Church to the cemetery, it ought to hold good in respect to the race course. But whatever may be the law in the matter, or whoever may be the cause of the evil, no doubt exists in the public mind as to the propriety of the City Council looking into the question with a view to enlarging the Park boundary. Either by right of use and occupation, or by purchase the northern boundary ought to be pushed further north. We had been under the impression that such would have been the case long ago; for when the Surveyor General returned from England, he made no secret of announcing the project of adding one hundred acres to the north side. He, as the former agent of the Company, ought to have been good authority as to what land the Company owned; and he, when he returned from England, declared that the land now fenced in was unsold, and was the property of the Crown contingent on a re-grant of the Island from the Company to the Crown, pursuant to the grant of 1849. But now by hook or crook the land is sold. Something remarkable is it not, notwithstanding the Mayor says it is all right? The public are in a quandary. Poor public! it is nobody and owns nothing, when anybody wants to take something. "No harm to rob Uncle Sam," is a cardinal doctrine of politicians in the States; but this Park question and townsite business prove satisfactorily enough that the family of Mr. Bull, here, may set up a claim of relationship to their cousin Jonathan without any fear of their claim ever being disputed. No one, however, who is interested in the future growth and prosperity of this city can rest unconcerned at the prospect of the Park being made smaller than formerly; and as

we have elected six gentlemen to look after its interests, we cannot understand why they are lukewarm in the matter. If the ex-members for the city had done their duty in the legislature three years ago, instead of peremptorily refusing to investigate the claims of the company to the town-site, nearly the whole of the land west of James Bay would have been now owned by the colony, and what was necessary for civic uses would have become the property of the city. But Mr. Munk never uttered a word nor made a move in the matter; neither did Mr. Cary, till after the discovery of his purchase of the springs, when he made a bold push for the town-site. Will not the electors overlook this small matter—a mere loss of \$500,000—and vote for "the twins?" Why not put confidence in them once more. If they change at all, it must be for the better—worse is impossible.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

AUCTION.

SPECIAL SALE OF CLOTHING

Daniel Scott

WILL SELL

On Saturday, March 7,

At 11 o'clock, precisely:

ABOUT 50 OR 60 SUITS CLOTHING,

—COMPRISING—

Union, Superfine, and All Wool Tweeds

Plain and Fancy Tweed and Doeskin

Trowsers and Vests;

800 YARDS PIECE GOODS,

—COMPRISING—

Scotch Tweeds,

Fancy, Cheek and Heavy Tweeds,

Superfine Spanish Wool Shawls,

Boy's Silk, Velvet, Plain, Gold Mount-

ed Caps,

Pieces Black French Merino.

BOOTS.

Wellington,

Blucher,

Elastic Side Ladies' Lace

and Cloth Boots,

Pairs Shirts,

Blue Serge Shirts,

Lambs' Wool Underclothing,

Do Hose and half Hose,

Monkey Jackets,

Fustian do and Trowsers,

etc., etc., etc.

Terms Liberal, declared at Sale. mh5

CHEAP

Board and Lodgings

AT

\$5.00.....per week.

DINNER.....3 bits.

SUPPER OR BREAKFAST.....2 bits.

AT THE

Overland Restaurant,

Broad street, near Fort Street.

mh5 lm

Consignee's Notice.

THE SHIP VICTOR, CAPTAIN BUNKER, from San Francisco, will commence discharging at the Hudson Bay Co.'s wharf this morning, at 8 o'clock. Consignees are requested to call on the undersigned, pay freight, and receive orders for their goods. All goods left on the wharf after 6 p.m., will be stored at the risk and expense of the owner. mh5

PICKETT & CO.

Notice to Builders.

SEPARATE TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED TUESDAY, the 10th, for the following tenders required in the erection of a Suburban Residence near the Hudson Bay Co.'s wharf. Mason and Brick Work; Plastering and Tinsmith's Work; Painter's and Glazier's Work. The drawings and specifications may be seen at the office of the undersigned. WRIGHT & SANDERS, Architects. Office, corner of Yates and Langley streets. mh5

Masonic Notice.

THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF Victoria Lodge No. 1085 E. R. will be held at their Lodge Room THIS (Thursday) EVENING, at 7 1/2 o'clock. By order of the W. M. WM. H. THOMAS, Secretary. mh5

FOR SALE,

LOT NO. 11 SUBDIVISION OF SEC. 17 ON called Spring Hill.

Apply to A. F. MAIN, Wharf street. mh5

BRICKS!! BRICKS!! BRICKS!!!

15,000 BRICKS FOR SALE CHEAP.

Apply to W. ZELNER, Douglass Cor Government and Yates sts. mh5 lm

To the Independent Electors of the City of Victoria.

GENTLEMEN—YOU WILL SHORTLY BE called upon to exercise the most sacred rights of Britons, in selecting men of your own free will to manage your own local affairs, scrutinize and control the course of Government, and adjust important taxation. While I feel that I have no especial claim to public support, I do claim, in common with my fellow citizens, that I have embarked my capital, brought my family, and expended some portion of my past energies here, and that in a new country like this I have a right to aspire to a position in the management of its public affairs. I do not seek any office of emolument—have never done so, nor is such my aim now. I am content to earn my living independent of Crown patronage, but the honor of representing my fellow citizens is a distinction which any man might be proud of, and I aspire to that. I hold the equal rights of all men to be of the first importance in all cases of legislation, and know no superior class or color or country. Every citizen who has settled in this Colony as his future home, is entitled to equal privileges with his neighbor, and for such principles I will always contend. Heaven has given us a fine climate, a good harbor, a natural position, as the entrance to a great part of Washington Territory and British Columbia; and in the present condition of American affairs so situated that with a FINE PORT and a DEWY of any amount, we can supply a great share of the Pacific coast cheaper than they can possibly be supplied from elsewhere. I am fully alive to the advantages we possess, and it is my anxious desire to forward our interests, particularly that important interest, agriculture, and watch and guard against corruption and misgovernment; to see that equal rights and cheap administration prevail, and that law costs and lawyers are looked after, without permitting to them exclusive privileges or business monopolies; that the merchant, tradesman, mechanic and artisan, the proscribed and supported; land granted free, or at nominal rates to actual settlers, with a view to encourage and support our own agriculture, and that all the per-annuity rule of Government officials, dabbling in mines, town sites and public lands, may be abolished. There are many other public questions of great importance upon which I will speak hereafter, as cannot be referred to within the limits of this address, but if you see fit to honor me with your confidence and support, you may rely that for neither inducements of office or patronage, nor printing or other jobs will pass without exposure. And should I not be your pleasure to elect me, I will support cheerfully whomever you think fit to elect, so long as they follow a line of policy similar to that I have here laid down. I have the honor to be Gentlemen, EDWARD HENRY ELLIOTT, Victoria, 6 March, 1863. mh5

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Ex. "Frigate Bird,"

"Helvetia,"

—AND—

"Robert Lowe."

—AND—

QUARLES & CO.,

ST. NICHOLAS BILLIARD HALL,

Government Street.

HAVE NOW ON SALE AT THEIR STORES

(IN)

Langley Street:

300 dozen Baltic Shirts,

Black/Cloth,

Blue, Gray and Red Blankets,

White Flannel,

Ivory/Handle Table Knives and Forks

Five Shot Revolvers.

Double Barrel Guns, in cases, complete,

Enfield Rifles,

Electro-Plated Tea and Coffee Sets,

China Tea Sets,

Do Plates,

Iron Hoes,

Morticing and Tenancing Machines,

Sawing Machines.

N. B. These Machines are well adapted for the Mining country, being constructed so that they can be packed in separate pieces. mh5

Notice.

THE BUSINESS OF EDWARD STAMP & CO., as Proprietors of Alberni, and as Commission Merchants in Victoria, which has been dissolved this day by mutual consent, will be carried on by the remaining partners, other than Edward Stamp, under the name of ANDERSON & CO., with out change in the management or connections. Victoria, V. I., Feb. 25, 1863. mh5

NOTICE.

A Victoria Directory.

THE UNDERSIGNED BEG TO INFORM Business men and the Public generally that it is their intention to compile a full and complete DIRECTORY and GUIDE TO THE CITY OF VICTORIA, to be published as early as possible in the month of January, 1863.

N. B.—Persons desirous of putting down their names for copies, or of seeing the Proprietors on business connected with the DIRECTORY, are requested to call at the office of GEORGE BARNETT, WALTON & BARNETT, Agents for the Victoria Directory 1863. mh5

To Merchants and Others.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS MADE ARRANGEMENTS in London for the prompt and careful execution of orders for all descriptions of machinery, etc., and is now prepared to attend to any business that may be entrusted to him. For further particulars apply to ALEX. MACDONALD, 25, 3 & 4 Yates street. mh5 lm

ALBERNI STEAM SAW MILLS.

Barelay Sound,

VANCOUVER ISLAND.

Spars, Piles, and Lumber,

or First Quality and Full Dimensions

Furnished for Export at Moderate prices.

VESSELS LOADING AT ALBERNI HAVE

the tedious navigation of the Straits of Fuca and to get ready when loaded. They are subject to port charges and can clear from the Mill. Owing to the position of Alberni, despatches from ships are of rare occurrence. The Wharf is easily accessible and commodious. A Steam Tug is kept to assist vessels. Regular communication is maintained with Victoria. mh5

Agents in San Francisco:

MESSRS. FALKNER, BELL & Co,

ANDERSON & CO.

Victoria, V. I., Feb. 24, 1863. mh5

Roskell's

WATCHES

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVE BEEN appointed by this celebrated Maker, as his

SOLE AGENTS

—FOR—

VICTORIA AND BRITISH COLUMBIA,

And have just received from him an Assortment of his

First Class

Hunting Watches,

—ALSO—

Stop Watches,

Which they offer for sale.

JANION, GREEN & RHODES.

mh5

FOR STEKIN,

Calling at Nanaimo, Fort Rupert,

Bentneck Arm and Fort Simpson.

THE H. B. COMPANY'S

"LABOUCHERE,"

Will sail for above mentioned Ports on

Tuesday, 10th Inst.,

RATE OF PASSAGE TO STEKIN:

CABIN.....\$45.00

STORAGE.....30.00

FREIGHT, per Ton.....20.00

TO BENTNECK ARM:

CABIN.....\$25.00

STORAGE.....15.00

FREIGHT.....15.00

For further particulars, apply to the Captain at H. B. Co.'s store, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 12 m.

PIONEER HAT MANUFACTORY.

Heaven has given us a fine climate, a good harbor, a natural position, as the entrance to a great part of Washington Territory and British Columbia; and in the present condition of American affairs so situated that with a FINE PORT and a DEWY of any amount, we can supply a great share of the Pacific coast cheaper than they can possibly be supplied from elsewhere. I am fully alive to the advantages we possess, and it is my anxious desire to forward our interests, particularly that important interest, agriculture, and watch and guard against corruption and misgovernment; to see that equal rights and cheap administration prevail, and that law costs and lawyers are looked after, without permitting to them exclusive privileges or business monopolies; that the merchant, tradesman, mechanic and artisan, the proscribed and supported; land granted free, or at nominal rates to actual settlers, with a view to encourage and support our own agriculture, and that all the per-annuity rule of Government officials, dabbling in mines, town sites and public lands, may be abolished. There are many other public questions of great importance upon which I will speak hereafter, as cannot be referred to within the limits of this address, but if you see fit to honor me with your confidence and support, you may rely that for neither inducements of office or patronage, nor printing or other jobs will pass without exposure. And should I not be your pleasure to elect me, I will support cheerfully whomever you think fit to elect, so long as they follow a line of policy similar to that I have here laid down. I have the honor to be Gentlemen, EDWARD HENRY ELLIOTT, Victoria, 6 March, 1863. mh5

ADAMS & CO.,

WILL ON OR ABOUT THE 15th MARCH

OPEN THE PIONEER HAT STORE OF

Victoria, V. I. and British Columbia.

A. & CO. BEING PRACTICAL HAT-

makers will manufacture every description of Gentlemen's Hats and Caps, Ladies' Riding Hats, Boys' and Children's Hats and Caps in all the varieties.

Our facilities with London, Paris, New York and San Francisco are such that we will be able at all times to have the Latest Fashions and the largest and best assortment of English, French and American Hats and Caps, which we will

SELL RETAIL OR TO THE TRADE

At prices lower than they can be purchased in San Francisco. Every description of Hats and Caps made to order. Enquire for H. H. Adams at this office. mh5

Garden Seeds,

OF VARIOUS KINDS FOR SALE.

EW ADVERTISEMENTS

Every Person Should Know

THAT THE

ROUTE

TO THE

IS VIA THE

CARIBOO MINES

YALE & LYTON

WAGON ROAD!

The chained distances on the Yale and Lyton Road are as follows:

From Yale to Boston Bar.....25 Miles

" Boston Bar to Lyton.....32 1/2 "

" Lyton to McLean's.....47 1/2 "

" McLean's to the Junction of the Wagon Roads.....19 "

Distance from Yale to Junction. 124 Miles

COMPARE THE ABOVE

With the following distances set down by Lillooet Shippers:

From Douglas to Lillooet.....110 Miles

" Lillooet to Junction.....47 "

Distance from Douglas to Junction.....157 Miles

The Junction

Is the point at which the Wagon Roads intersect each other, and where the Cariboo-bound traveller by the Yale-Lillooet and Douglas-Lillooet routes MUST meet. It will, therefore, be seen by the above figures that the traveller by YALE and LYTON has

THIRTY-THREE MILES LESS TRAVEL

Than if he went by the Douglas-Lillooet Route

Remember that on this Route there are NO PORTAGES where Goods or Animals may be detained.

Messrs. DUHIG, LANK, BLACK, and other Carriers of Merchandise, advertise to

Carry Freight from Yale to Lyton

\$20 Per Ton Less

Than is or will be charged on the Douglas-Lillooet Route.

THE NEW AND SPLENDID STEAMER

"Reliance"

Connects with the Victoria Steamer

"Enterprise"

And conveys her Freight and Passengers to Yale at greatly reduced rates.

Shippers

Desirous of getting Freight through to Cariboo this season are advised to

Shun the Douglas-Lillooet Route!!

And are also referred to the testimony adduced in the CRANFORD CASE, wherein witnesses have sworn, on oath, that \$5.00, or even 20 days is a reasonable time to convey Freight from Douglas to Lillooet.

Five Days only are Required

To carry goods from Yale to Lyton, and

Shippers are Assured

That if Freight is carried from Douglas to Lillooet for Two Cents per lb.,

CARRIERS ARE PREPARED TO

FREIGHT FROM YALE TO LYTON

With Safety and Despatch, for

One Cent Per Lb.!

All those who allow themselves to be examined by Douglasites this year need expect no sympathy from the public if they get broke in trying to get goods through that route.

Remember the Cranford affair, and steer clear of extortion and delays.

Travel the Yale and Lyton Wagon Road to the Cariboo Mines.

New and Commodious Hotels have been erected at convenient distances along the entire length of the Route, where First Class Accommodations for both man and beast are bestowed at moderate rates.

FOR CHEAPNESS, DESPATCH, EASE AND SECURITY choose the Yale and Lyton Route in preference to all others in British Columbia.

ANDERSON & CO

Invite to the Following Goods

The Attention

OF GROCERS

HAIN—Best English York;

SUGAR—All Loaf;

DO Cossipore No. 1;

OTHEAL—Scotch, in kegs;

RISQUET—A large variety of Scotch;

PRESERVED MEATS—Sausage, Mince, Game and Vegetables, in 1 lb. and 2 lb. tins;

PINGER BEER;

CHEESE—North Wiltshire, in cases;

SOAP—Tynon's English Crown, 112 lb. boxes;

